

IN THE CLAIMS

Please amend the claims as follows:

Claim 1 (Currently Amended): A message system comprising:

a memory including a message table and plural word/phrase tables, ~~each plural word/phrase table corresponding to a respective attribute~~, the message table including an attribute column indicating an attribute and a corresponding message column storing message data for each attribute indicated in the attribute column, each of the plural word/phrase tables containing words and phrases corresponding to a respective attribute indicated in the attribute column in the message tables, the corresponding message data being acquired from the word/phrase tables;

a message creator which creates a message corresponding to at least one attribute of at least one member in a predetermined system, the at least one attribute being shown in attribute information including fixed information settled at a time of registering the at least one member and record-information updated in accordance with performance of the at least one member, wherein said message creator accesses the message table and acquires at least one word or phrase corresponding to the at least one attribute, from the plural word/phrase tables, and creates the message using the acquired word or phrase; and

a printer which prints the message created by said message creator visibly and erasably on a card possessed by the at least one member.

Claim 2 (Canceled).

Claim 3 (Previously Presented): The message system according to claim 1, wherein:
said memory further stores a sentence including at least one non-settled information portion wherein no word/phrase has been settled yet; and

said message creator sets the at least one word or phrase from the plural word/phrase tables into the at least one non-settled information portion of the sentence, thereby creating the message.

Claim 4 (Previously Presented): The message system according to claim 3, further comprising

a table creator which creates the plural word/phrase tables and stores the created plural word/phrase tables into said memory.

Claim 5 (Previously Presented): The message system according to claim 4, wherein said table creator creates the plural word/phrase tables corresponding to a change in an external factor.

Claim 6 (Previously Presented): The message system according to claim 5, wherein:
the external factor is a date;
said message system further comprises a date acquirer which obtains a current date;
and
said table creator creates the plural word/phrase tables corresponding to the current date obtained by said date acquirer.

Claim 7 (Original): The message system according to claim 1, further comprising:
a recorder which records the attribute information of the at least one member on the card possessed by the at least one member; and
an accumulator which accumulates the record-information included in the attribute information, and

wherein said recorder updates the record-information recorded on the card, using latest record-information accumulated by said accumulator.

Claim 8 (Original): The message system according to claim 7, further comprising a reader which reads out the attribute information of the at least one member who possesses the card, from the card, and

wherein said message creator creates the message using the attribute information read out by said reader.

Claim 9 (Previously Presented): The message system according to claim 1, wherein said printer prints a drawing and/or illustration representing contents of the message on the card, together with the message.

Claim 10 (Previously Presented): The message system according to claim 1, wherein:

said memory further stores the e-mail address of said member; and

said message system further comprises an e-mail sender which provides a generated message to the member, by sending an e-mail representing the message created by said message creator to the e-mail address stored in said memory.

Claim 11 (Currently Amended): A message creating method comprising:

providing a memory including a message table and plural word/phrase tables, ~~each plural word/phrase table corresponding to a respective attribute~~, the message table including an attribute column indicating an attribute and a corresponding message column storing message data for each attribute indicated in the attribute column, each of the plural

word/phrase tables containing words and phrases corresponding to a respective attribute indicated in the attribute column in the message tables, the corresponding message data being acquired from the word/phrase tables;

creating a message corresponding to at least one attribute of at least one member in a predetermined system, the at least one attribute being shown in attribute information including fixed information settled at a time of registering the at least one member and record-information updated in accordance with performance of the at least one member, wherein said creating accesses the message table and acquires at least one word or phrase corresponding to the at least one attribute, from the plural word/phrase tables, and creates the message using the acquired word or phrase; and

printing the created message visibly and erasably onto a card possessed by the at least one member.

Claim 12 (Currently Amended): A program for controlling a computer to serve as a message system comprising:

a control which accesses a memory including a message table and plural word/phrase tables, ~~each plural word/phrase table corresponding to a respective attribute,~~ the message table including an attribute column indicating an attribute and a corresponding message column storing message data for each attribute indicated in the attribute column, each of the plural word/phrase tables containing words and phrases corresponding to a respective attribute indicated in the attribute column in the message tables, the corresponding message data being acquired from the word/phrase tables;

a message creator which creates a message corresponding to at least one attribute of at least one member in a predetermined system, the at least one attribute being shown in attribute information including fixed information settled at a time of registering the at least

one member and record-information updated in accordance with performance of the at least one member, wherein said message creator accesses the message table and acquires at least one word or phrase corresponding to the at least one attribute, from the plural word/phrase tables, and creates the message using the acquired word or phrase; and

a printer which prints the message created by said message creator visibly and erasably on a card possessed by the at least one member.

Claim 13 (Previously Presented): The message system according to claim 1, wherein said printer erases the message on the card by heat and prints a new message on the card by heat.

Claim 14 (Previously Presented): The message system according to claim 6, further comprising a determiner which determines whether or not the word/phrase table necessary for creating the message is stored in said memory,

wherein said table creator creates the word/phrase table in a case in which said determiner determines that the necessary word/phrase table is not stored in said memory.

Claim 15 (Previously Presented): The message system according to claim 8, wherein:

said card is a re-writable card, wherein a message can be printed and deleted by heat; said message system comprises a card processing device in which said memory, said message creator, said printer, said recorder, and said reader are integrated;

said message creator starts generating said message, by said card being inserted into said card processing device; and

said printer deletes the message on said card by heat, and prints the generated new message on said card by heat.

Claim 16 (Previously Presented): The message system according to claim 10, wherein said message includes drawings and diagrams that represent the content of the message.